

Math WASL

Why are most students in the state of Washington not meeting the standard in the Math part of the WASL?

Possible Solutions

- Realign Curriculum (**Math programs need to be aligned to state standards**)
- More and better use of “Math Time”
- WASL better advertised (Truths and Myths about WASL)
- More of “review”, so students won’t forget what they have already learned
- Taking students out of their “comfort zone”, (struggling at an earlier age, getting use to pressure situations, building confidence)
II) Putting students in a more “Stressful” classroom environment to better prepare for WASL along with other strenuous tests
- WASL “Study Book” (Molding SAT Study Guide’s written by College Board, Princeton Review, etc) 4th, 7th, & 10th Grades
- Qualified teachers in school districts, teaching **their field of study**
Pay teachers higher wages and not having P.E. teacher teach math unless qualified

Future

2004-05 4th graders who took the WASL had 79.5% pass rate for reading section, 57.7% pass rate for writing section, and 60.8% pass rate for math section of WASL.